

The Hunters' Improvement
and
NATIONAL LIGHT HORSE BREEDING SOCIETY

List of Exhibitors at the 1959 Stallion Show. NEWMARKET, March. 11th.

Note:- The number in brackets following the Exhibitor's name and address indicates the number of stallions being exhibited,

THOROUGHBRED STALLIONS.

- Ball, John, High Oakham Farm, Mansfield, Notts. (3)
Bloomfield, L.B., Lower Releath, Trenear, Wendron, Helston, Cornwall. (2)
Brightmore, B.F., Holme Stud Farm, Brampton-en-le-Morthen, Thurocroft, Rotherham, Yorks. (1)
Donè, Miss S., Haygrass House Stud, Taunton, Somerset. (1)
Fetches, A.H., Poston Lane Farm, North Frodingham, Driffield, Yorks. (1)
Heal, F.T., M.F.H., Allins Weck, Torrington, Devon. (2)
Hillman, T.J. & Sons, Stud Farm, Stock Wood, Redditch, Worcs. (6)
Hurley, James, Hill Stud Farm, Sharnbrook, Bedford. (2)
John, Len, Winterbourne Hunting Stables, Lewes, Sussex. (1)
Jones, Owen, Woodend, Near Twocester, Northants. (1)
*Lamb, John, Ashwells Manor Farm, Tylers Green, High Wycombe, Bucks. (1)
Manning, W.J., West Park, Wing, Leighton Buzzard, Beds. (2)
Masters, A.L., St. Lawrence Stud Farm, Bodmin, Cornwall. (2)
Maundrell, G.R., Blacklands Stud, Calne, Wilts. (1)
Megginson, H., Knayton, Thirsk, Yorks. (1)
Mumford, A.C., Tea Caddy Stud Farm, Hemmington, Northants. (7)
Mumford, Wm. & Sons, Stud Farm, Hill Wootton, Warwick. (2)
Northumberland, Duke of., M.F.H., Alnwick Castle, Northumberland. (1)
Powell, Wm., Sunnyfield Farm, Whinney Hill, Stockton-on-Tees, Co. Durham. (1)
*Riseborough, P.J., Field House Farm, Hillington, King's Lynn, Norfolk. (1)
Scarth, N., & Boothman, C., Holme Farm, Biggin, S. Milford, Yorks. (1)
Staien, J. & Sons, Coed Hills Stud Farm, St. Hilary, Cowbridge, Glam. (2)
*Stephens, Mrs. S.C.Y., Brown Queen, St. Winnow, Lostwithiel, Cornwall. (1)
Sturtridge, G.M., Stud Farm, North Poulner Road, Ringwood, Hants. (1)
Thom, David T., Sparrows End Farm, Newport, Saffron, Walden, Essex. (1)
Thomas, A.D., Grange Stud Farm, Neath, Glam. (2)
Welburn, T. & W., Shurbridge Stud, Sidlow, Reigate, Surrey. (2)
Wharton, W.E., South View Stud, Hatfield, Doncaster, Yorks. (5)
Wheatley, J.H., & Mercer, S., The Forge Stud, Twyross, Atherstone, Warwicks.
*Williams, Francis T., Penair, Truro, Cornwall. (1) (1)

NOTE:- * indicates new exhibitors.

NON-THOROUGHBRED STALLIONS.

- Barlow, T.B., Thornby House, Northampton. (1)
de Beaumont, Miss M., Shalbourne Manor, Marlborough, Wilts. (1)
Duell, J.A.V., 5, Newsam Rd., Egelscliffe, Stockton-on-Tees, Co. Durham. (1)
Edmunds, Capt. L., Cholderton, Near Salisbury, Wilts. (1)
Goodall, Miss D.E., & Boon, Mrs. G.G.R., Smallbrook Farm, Thursley, Godalming, (Surrey) (1)
Hudson, Miss V., Big Coombe Farm, Hastingleigh, Ashford, Kent. (1)
Nixey, Miss M., Manor Farm, Cuxham, Watlington, Oxon. (1)
Sunley, J.E., Grange Farm, Gerrick, Moorholm, Saltburn, Yorks. (1)
Thomas, A.D., Grange Stud Farm, Neath, Glam. (1)
Trakehner Society, Hamburg-Farmen, Germany. (1)
Wheatley, J.H., The Forge Stud, Twyross, Atherstone, Warwicks. (1)
Wolf, Miss F.K., Hanstead Stud, Weedon Hill Farm, Aylesbury, Bucks. (1)

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Press Notes.

The Society's sixty-eighth Spring Show of Stallions will be held at the Sales Paddocks, Newmarket, on March 11th. In the Thoroughbred section an entry of 56 has been received. 18 of the Stallions entered are newcomers to the Show, having never previously competed for Premiums, and of these ten are eligible and will compete in Class "A" which is confined to horses which have not been out of training for more than two years and/or which have not stood at Stud for more than one year, and which have not previously competed for or been granted Premiums under the Society's scheme. These horses will compete for a total of £125 prize money and the winner of the class will be awarded the Macdonald-Buchanan Perpetual Challenge Trophy. All horses in Class "A" will also compete for Premiums in their respective district classes, but this year they will not be permitted to compete for the supreme Championship of the Show, i.e., the King George V Challenge Cup. However, all stallions entered for the Show which are not over the age of 14 years will be eligible to compete for 14 Super Premiums.

A total number of 45 Premiums of £325. each will be awarded at the Show and the successful horses will be allocated to various prescribed districts throughout England and Wales and will be available for service at a fee of £5 (plus groom's fee 5/-) per non-thoroughbred mare. The fee for the service of Thoroughbred mares is a matter for arrangement with the Stallion owner.

The responsibility of awarding the Premiums at Newmarket rests in the capable hands of Mr. E. G. E. Griffith of Trefnant, Denbighshire and Mr. Harvey Leader, the well-known Newmarket trainer. The allocation of the premium winning Stallions will be in the hands of Major-General E. D. Fanshawe, the Chairman of the Society's Stallion Committee.

Amongst the 30 Thoroughbred Stallion exhibitors are two ladies, Miss S. Done of Taunton, Somerset, and Mrs. S. C. Y. Stephens, of Lostwithiel, Cornwall. Competitors with the largest number of entries are Mr. A. C. Mumford of Hannington, Northants., (7), Messrs. T. J. Hillman & Sons
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of Redditch, Worcs. (6), and Mr. W. E. Wharton of Doncaster, Yorks. (5).

Previous champions which will be on show are "Your Fancy", "Starlata" and "Parting Shot" and 21 past Super Premium Stallions will again be competing.

An important factor to be borne in mind is that whoever uses a Premium Stallion may rest assured that they are obtaining the services of a thoroughly sound animal, as every horse has to pass a rigorous Veterinary examination in order to obtain his licence from the Ministry of Agriculture as provided under the Horse Breeding Act. The fact that last season the Society's Premium Stallions served over 550 more mares (the total figure was 2,536) than in 1957 seems to indicate that breeders are placing more and more confidence in the ability of the Premium Stallion to produce the type of animal that is in demand.

In view of the controversies and arguments which have appeared in the Press from time to time regarding the methods to be used to breed middle and heavyweight hunters, the Society has decided to probe the question of the Stallion side by staging an "exhibition" of non-thoroughbred Stallions at the forthcoming show. By doing this the Council hope that they will have an opportunity of seeing the types of Stallions whose owners consider are suitable to produce the heavier weight hunters. From what they see brought forward on March 11th they can decide as to their future policy from the Stallion angle. 12 entries have been received for this exhibition and they are made up of 8 different types of Stallions, including a Trakehner, which is being sent over by the Trakehner Society in Germany. The Society has decided to offer up to 7 "Exhibitions" of £25 each for this event. 5 of the non-Thoroughbred exhibitors are ladies.

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